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## Reserve Officers Lay Down Arms As "Fierce Enemy" Advances, But Only to Take Picks and Dig, Dig!

One thousand student officers at Fort Myer laid down their arms yesterday morning about 7 o'clock. No, the Boches haven't captured Fort Myer just yet, and the nine infantry companies didn't surrender. But rumors have reached the camp that the "enemy" is expected to attack the defenses of the fort in force not later than Thursday.

So one minute after 7 o'clock a. m. the officers-to-be laid aside rifles, bayonets, and bombs, and shouldered picks and shovels. Orders had come forth from headquarters that the trenches must be held at all costs. This made necessary the digging of long underground passages from the second and third line trenches to the shallow-fire variety.

All day long, from early morning till late in the evening, the candidates dug steadily, working in twenty-minute shifts, building machine gun emplacements, bomb-proofs for all the world like a cellar, with only a small vent hole and four feet of solid earth and timbers on top, shelters and latrines.

On Thursday according to an announcement made by Capt. Middleton, adjutant of training camp, the student officers will begin living and sleeping in their underground quarters, ready at any moment to go "over the top" to repel a trench raid by the enemy.

## Squirrels Early to Conserve Food; Prophets Claim Long Hard Winter Is Forecasted by Their Activities

Fevered by the nation-wide campaign for food conservation, the squirrel families throughout the city parks have already begun the packing and storing of food supplies for the winter. Usually their activity begins only after the unusually heavy fall frosts that send the dead leaves scurrying to the ground in a rain of crimson and purple and gold.

This year, however, the first touches of the light frosts of recent nights seem to show themselves in the drooping of leaves and in the slight tinting of foliage.

Near the White House, especially, the gray squirrels are busy. The pavements in the rear of the President's mansion are literally covered with acorns, most of them still green, and the thick protective coating of the horse chestnuts. The same is true with the walks near the Treasury Department, where several oak trees are growing.

Peasants, still a favorite food with the squirrels, are being stored now, instead of being "slobbered up" on the spot. Winter's coming—even squirrels conserve food.

Long-distance weather prophets and farmers predict a long and hard winter, because of the early nut-gathering activities of the squirrels.

## THE TRUTH ABOUT ECZEMA AND PILES

Thousands and thousands of people, says Peterson, are learning every week that one-cent boxes of Peter's Ointment will abolish Eczema and banish piles, and the grateful letters I receive every day are worth more to me than money.

I had Eczema for many years on my head and could not get anything to do it any good. I saw your ad and got one box and I owe you many thanks for the good it has done me. There isn't a blotch on my head now, and I couldn't help but thank Peter's for the cure is great. Mrs. Mary Hill, 430 Third Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

I have had itching piles for 15 years and Peterson's is the only ointment that relieved me. Besides the piles seem to have gone. A. B. Rieger, 1127 Washington Avenue, Racine, Wis.

Use Peterson's Ointment for old sores, salt rheum and all skin diseases. It banishes rimples and blackheads in less than 10 days and leaves the skin clean, clear and pleasant to look upon. Druggists guarantee it. Get it at O'Donnell's Drug Store—Adv.

### KEEP WHAT THEY MAKE.

Nankin has two educational institutions under government supervision which are worthy of mention. The best housed school in Nankin at present is the Military College, which was built for China by the Germans. The Government Normal College has taken on a new lease of life after being closed for several years. Formerly the courses in this school followed the Japanese plan, but at present, according to the professor who showed me around, the whole curriculum is Chinese, as they follow no foreign system, but only take the best out of all and improve on that. No tuition or charge for meals or room is collected, but all students are pledged to teach after graduation, with all privilege of keeping what they can make. As an ex-teacher and the son of a professor I can see the logic and humor of the latter provision.—From Christian Herald.

Catalogues of air brushes for posters and wall painting have been asked for by Sonnet W. A. Bickers, Hobart, Tasmania.

## 4 MORE "SUFFS" LAND IN LOCKUP

Display of Banners at the White House Lasts Just Four Minutes.

Four more militant suffragists were arrested yesterday afternoon in front of the White House on a charge of violating the peace and order act.

A big banner, with an extract from the writings of President Wilson, upheld by two of the suffragists, also was taken.

The suffragists started from the Cameron House at about 4:30 yesterday afternoon. About three minutes afterwards, they were in the patrol wagon of the First precinct, after being arrested by Sergeant Lee, of the Third precinct.

### Warning Brings Smiles.

Sergeant Lee went up to the suffragettes and warned them individually that they were violating the law. They smiled at him and tightened their hold on their banners.

Sergeant Lee had a member of the White House police guards on the phone to the First precinct for the wagon, which arrived about one minute afterwards, with Capt. Colin E. E. Flather in command.

The names of the picketers are Mrs. P. John, of St. Louis, daughter of the editor of the St. Louis Post Dispatch; Mrs. Margaret Wood Keasler, of Denver, Colorado, vice president of the Progressive Women's Clubs of Colorado, sent here as a delegate for the express purpose of picketing the White House; Miss Ernestine Hara, New York social worker and society woman, and Miss Hilda Blumgorg, also of New York city, who arrived in this country from Russia four years ago.

### Bailed by Mrs. Howard Gould.

Mrs. Howard Gould, member of the Gould family, of New York, an ardent worker in the suffrage movement since its beginning, went down to the police station to bail the prisoners out. Mrs. Gould recently donated a check of \$500 to the party for the expenses of picketing, and has allowed the District Women's Party the use of her auto for visiting the prisoners at Occoquan.

A large party from the District suffrage organization visited Occoquan yesterday to accumulate fresh evidence to use in their investigation of conditions at the work house.

The party was composed of Miss Beulah Amidon, of North Dakota; Mrs. Lucy Brannan, mother of Miss Lucy Brannan, one of the prisoners now at the reformatory; Rev. J. G. Mythen, of San Francisco, Cal., who came to this city to assist in the investigation; Mrs. W. G. Brown, of Baltimore; Miss Julia Emory, of Baltimore; and Miss Nina Samurade, who went to Occoquan to see her sister, imprisoned there.

### Malone "Girds Loins."

Dudley Field Malone, former collector of the port of New York, who went into Washington and stayed again last Sunday, made known to the authorities at the Cameron House yesterday, his intention to fight against the refusal of the school authorities of Buffalo to reinstate Miss Fotheringham into her position as teacher in the public schools of Buffalo. He will visit Buffalo within the next few days to open his campaign for Miss Fotheringham's reinstatement.

## STEEL PRICES FIXED

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25 per cent; pig iron, 33 per cent, as against a market price of \$8, a reduction of 41 per cent.

Steel bars, at Pittsburgh and Chicago, 58 per cent, as against a market price of \$10, a reduction of 42 per cent; steel shapes, at Pittsburgh and Chicago, 40 per cent, as against a market price of \$10, a reduction of 43 per cent; steel plates, at Pittsburgh and Chicago, 55 per cent, as against a market price of \$20, a reduction of 75 per cent.

The new prices will apply not only to government contracts, but to all private and allied contracts as well, and the steel men have pledged themselves to keep up production to the maximum so long as the war lasts.

"I would rather see the allies and the general public get a fair price for steel than to see the navy unduly favored," said Secretary Daniels yesterday, when he said that he would permit the navy to buy steel at the price set by the President.

Under a special arrangement with the United States and Carnegie steel companies by Mr. Daniels some months ago for the steel and 1917 construction programs at \$9 and \$8 a ton.

"Our price," Mr. Daniels said, "applied to about 312,000 tons on one program and 300,000 tons on a little more would rather now pay a little more for the navy steel than to get it at the old price, and permit the steel people to make up the difference and more out of the prices charged the allies and the public."

### New Destroyer Program.

The huge new destroyer program for which Congress has provided an appropriation of \$20,000,000 will have to be carried on under the new steel prices. It was not included in either of the programs for which Mr. Daniels secured the lower price.

Almost all of the steel bought under the old prices came from the Carnegie Steel Company and subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corporation. The smaller concerns said they were unable to furnish steel at the navy price.

Mr. Daniels said he understood that while the navy was paying but \$20 and \$25 a hundred for steel the allies were compelled to pay from \$5 to \$12 a hundred.

The new prices, he said, will help the whole situation with England, France, Italy and Japan. Mr. Daniels understands that copper and other metal prices will be fixed in the same way.

## CARNIVAL OF "AXMEN" DRAWS HUGE CROWD

More than three thousand persons attended the opening of the carnival given under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World at the show-grounds, Fifteenth and H streets northeast, last night. The festivities opened with a band concert at the head of the midway.

The shows are arranged in the shape of a horseshoe, with the riding devices, Ferris wheel and merry-go-round in the center. The midway presents a pretty picture.

The shows will be open every evening this week, and it is planned to give a matinee Saturday for the school children.

Author of "The Little Angels," Laura Spencer Porter, whose book, "The Story of the Little Angels," was published last week, is well known as a writer of short stories and essays which appear in the most prominent periodicals. She is a Kentuckian by birth and now lives in New York where she holds an editorial position on one of the most important women's periodicals.

## 'HOME' OFFICERS MEET TO STUDY

Companies Instructed in Military Tactics.

The school of instruction for line officers of the Home Defense League Rifles was held last night in the gymnasium of Union Station, and was attended practically by every officer affected. Capt. Fred M. Peisman, of Company T, of the Home Rifles, embracing the Department of Agriculture contingent, drilled yesterday afternoon on the grounds in front of the building. It will hold another drill at the same place next Thursday afternoon.

Col. M. A. Winter, commanding the Home Rifles, has announced the following schedule of drills for the remainder of the week:

Company B, Capt. Charles D. Shackelford; Company I, Capt. Murray L. Gifford; Company M, Capt. Thomas W. Bramhall, and Company O, Capt. Montgomery Hunter, will meet in joint drill at 8 o'clock tonight in the Business High School, Eighth street and Rhode Island avenue northwest. Capt. Bramhall will be drillmaster. The Thursday night drill of Company O has been abandoned, and the four companies merged, as indicated:

### To Drill at Y. M. C. A.

Company K, Capt. C. Edward Beckett, at 8 o'clock tonight in the gymnasium of the Central Y. M. C. A., 1736 G street northwest. Gen. C. H. Ourand, D. C. N. G., retired, will be drillmaster.

Company Y, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building. This is the new company made up from employees of the Southern Railroad Company. Capt. Harry Walsh, formerly of the District National Guard, will be drillmaster.

Company N, Capt. George T. Barksdale, at 8 o'clock tonight at the old Masonic Temple, Ninth and F streets northwest.

Company U, Capt. Fred M. Peisman, at 8 o'clock tomorrow night in the drill hall of McKinley Manual Training School, Seventh street and Rhode Island avenue northwest.

Company S, Capt. Clinton R. McKinley, in gymnasium of Union Station at 8 o'clock tomorrow night.

Company W, Capt. George H. Winslow, same time and place as Company S, with Maj. C. Eugene Edwards, drillmaster.

Company A, Maj. Louis C. Wilson, at 8 o'clock Thursday night at the Almas Temple Patrol headquarters, 1224 H street northwest.

### Meet in Joint Drill.

Company D, Capt. Ziba F. Bowman; Company G, Capt. Thomas J. Gates, and Company P, Capt. John D. Simpson, will meet in joint drill at 8 o'clock Thursday night in the drill hall of the Eastern High School, with First Sgt. S. T. Knowles, U. S. A., as drillmaster. Maj. Fred S. Hodgson will attend this drill as an observer.

Company R, Capt. Helmer Rabild, at 8 o'clock Thursday night in the Business High School.

Company T, Capt. Joseph E. Eldridge, at 8 o'clock Thursday afternoon on the grounds in front of the Agricultural Department.

Regimental band, Capt. George A. Fischer, will report for official rehearsal at 8 o'clock Thursday night in the assembly hall of the Eastern High School.

Company C, Capt. Roger L. Calvert, and Company L, Capt. Elwood P. Morey, at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening at main entrance to Senate office building, where they will be consolidated for drill with First Sgt. S. T. Knowles, U. S. A., as drillmaster.

Company E, Capt. William S. Quinter, at 8 o'clock Friday night in the drill hall of the New Masonic Temple.

Company F, Capt. Daniel R. Nihlen, at 8 o'clock Friday night in Elks' Hall, 913 H street northwest.

Company J, Capt. Elwood P. Morey, at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening at main entrance to Senate office building, where they will be consolidated for drill with First Sgt. S. T. Knowles, U. S. A., as drillmaster.

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Company I, Capt. Murray L. Gifford, at 8 o'clock Friday night in the drill hall of the Eastern High School.

Company M, Capt. Thomas W. Bramhall, at 8 o'clock Friday night in the drill hall of the Eastern High School.

Company O, Capt. Montgomery Hunter, at 8 o'clock Friday night in the drill hall of the Eastern High School.

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Company AA, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building.

Company AB, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building.

Company AC, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building.

Company AD, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building.

Company AE, Capt. Philip B. Beach, will report for organization and drill at 8 o'clock tonight in room 601 Southern Building.

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## SEEK TO ELIMINATE LOCAL CAR STOPS

Chevy Chase Citizens Have Plan for Shortening Delays.

Two plans for more efficient handling of the crowds on the Chevy Chase line of the Capital Traction Company were discussed at a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission in the District Building yesterday.

The first plan, suggested by the Chevy Chase Citizens' Association, known as the "skip stop" system, embraces elimination of more than half the stops in Upper Connecticut avenue, in the neighborhood of Chevy Chase.

The second plan, which is known as the "staggered" system of alternate stops, is favored by officials of the two lines in preference to the system proposed by the Citizens' Association.

This would mean that cars northbound stop at every other stop, while the southbound cars adopt the same course, but making their stops at once which had been passed up by the cars bound in the opposite direction.

A suggestion also was made by President King, that the Commission consider the elimination of fire-stops in the city. He said that 36,000 stops were made daily by the cars of his line on account of the fire-stop regulation.

## Good People in City? Surely, Oodles of 'Em, Says Rev. E. Hez Swem

The Rev. E. Hez Swem has taken up cudgels in defense of the people of Washington.

He said, "A man" had told him there were no good people in Washington.

"Why, Washington is flowing over with good people," declared Rev. Swem. "The city is full of them."

"You can't walk one square, anywhere in the city, without finding them on all sides of you."

"I can't see how any sane person could make such an assertion."

Canned goods are in demand in Italy.

## REFORM SCHOOL BOY SLASHED ON GUARD

Charles A. Dilley was terribly cut early yesterday morning while guarding the property of the National Training School for Boys, by John Thomas, colored, who is an attendant of that institution.

The affray took place shortly after 6 o'clock in the morning in the recreation hall of the school on the Bladensburg road, near the District line.

When ordered to take off some of the clothing that should be left in the dormitory, Thomas was said to have attacked young Dilley, who was doing guard duty at the time.

Police of the Ninth precinct took Thomas, said to be employed in the kitchen, in charge, while the injured boy was given emergency treatment in the institution hospital.

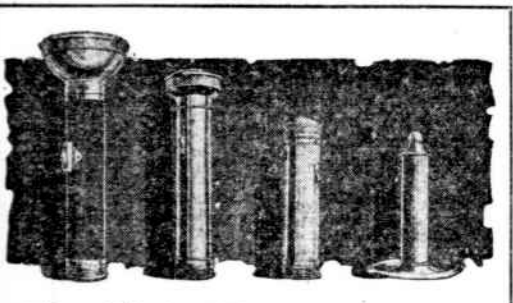
## Martial Law in Greece.

London, Sept. 24.—A Reuter's Athens dispatch says that a royal decree has been issued proclaiming martial law there.

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